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Miami Beach Adds Stiffer Fines for Blocking Major Thoroughfares

Ordinance Passes Increasing Fees to Improve Mobility and Reduce Traffic —

Miami Beach, **FL** – The City of Miami Beach continues to fight traffic woes by passing an ordinance that places additional restrictions and increased fees for developers closing major Miami Beach thoroughfares during morning and afternoon rush-hour.

"We are committed to improving mobility in any way we can," shared Miami Beach City Commissioner John Elizabeth Alemán. "This ordinance provides an incentive for construction companies to perform work outside of peak travel times when our residents are trying to get to work and school. It also aims to move lane closures to side streets versus heavily used right-ofways."

The new restrictions for road closures along major thoroughfares will now be in effect from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. No lane closures are permitted during these hours with the exception of emergency projects of an engineering nature. It also includes an increase in fees starting at \$100 and ranging up to \$1,000 for lane closures along major arteries – including Alton Road, Collins Avenue, 17 Street, 41 Street, Pine Tree Drive, 63 Street, among many others.

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